



PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL
PANTHER POST

Week of November 4, 2024

“All students will learn and grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically!”

There are more than 120,000 names in the eight Books of Remembrance held in the Parliament Building. These are the names of the Canadian soldiers, sailors, and airmen who died in conflicts around the world.

Dates to Remember

- November is “R” is for “Respect” Month
- November is Veterans’ Month
- November 4: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM
- November 5-11: Veterans’ Week
- November 6: Picture Retakes
- November 7: School Remembrance Service at ~~11:00~~ 10:50AM
- November 8: Indigenous Veterans’ Day
- November 8: PD Day - No School for Students
- November 11: Remembrance Day - No School
- November 14: Grade 6 Immunizations
- November 26: Phys. Ed. Swimming
- November 29: PD Day - No School for Students
- December 6: Report Cards Go Home
- December 11 & 12: Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00-7:00PM



Items of Note

Families and community are welcome to join us for our **school Remembrance observation**. Please note that it starts at 10:50AM on Thursday.

Parents “How to Guide” to set up Power School Parent Portal Account

To access your child’s gradebook and monitor their progress in school, please sign up for the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

1. Go to website wrsd.ca
2. Quick Links
3. PowerSchool Parents and Students
4. Contact Michelle Roberts in the school office for your user name and password
5. Once you have signed in initially, you will be prompted to change the password that I have generated to your own unique password.
6. Once you have reset your password, you should be able to access your students’ information.

Initial set up is encouraged to be done on a computer vs a mobile phone. For some reason it seems to go a bit smoother this way.

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STAFF PROFILE

Ms. Morrish
Vice-Principal

Ms. Morrish was born near the ocean in Ladner, BC but spent 6 years living in Rocky Mountain House while she was growing up. She graduated high school in Surrey, BC and worked in community support services for several years before moving back to Alberta to go to school to become a teacher. She earned her Bachelor of Education through the University of Alberta Middle Years Program.

Ms. Morrish has spent the majority of her career with the Wild Rose School division. She even did her final student teaching placement at Pioneer which is where she fell in love with middle school. She has taught many grade levels in five different schools from grade 5-11 including a few years as Inclusive Learning Support Teacher before becoming Vice-Principal at Pioneer in 2023.

Ms. Morrish has been a curious learner since she was a child taking “notes” while her mother read to her. She loves to read informational texts especially about the natural world. Nature has been her greatest teacher and she welcomes any opportunity to get into its classroom.

In her free time you will find her playing outside with her daughter Rylee and dog Jake. Her favorite place to be is outside with dirt under her fingernails gardening, foraging, hiking, backpacking, fossil hunting, swimming in the ocean, and climbing trees.

